

FIG. 1

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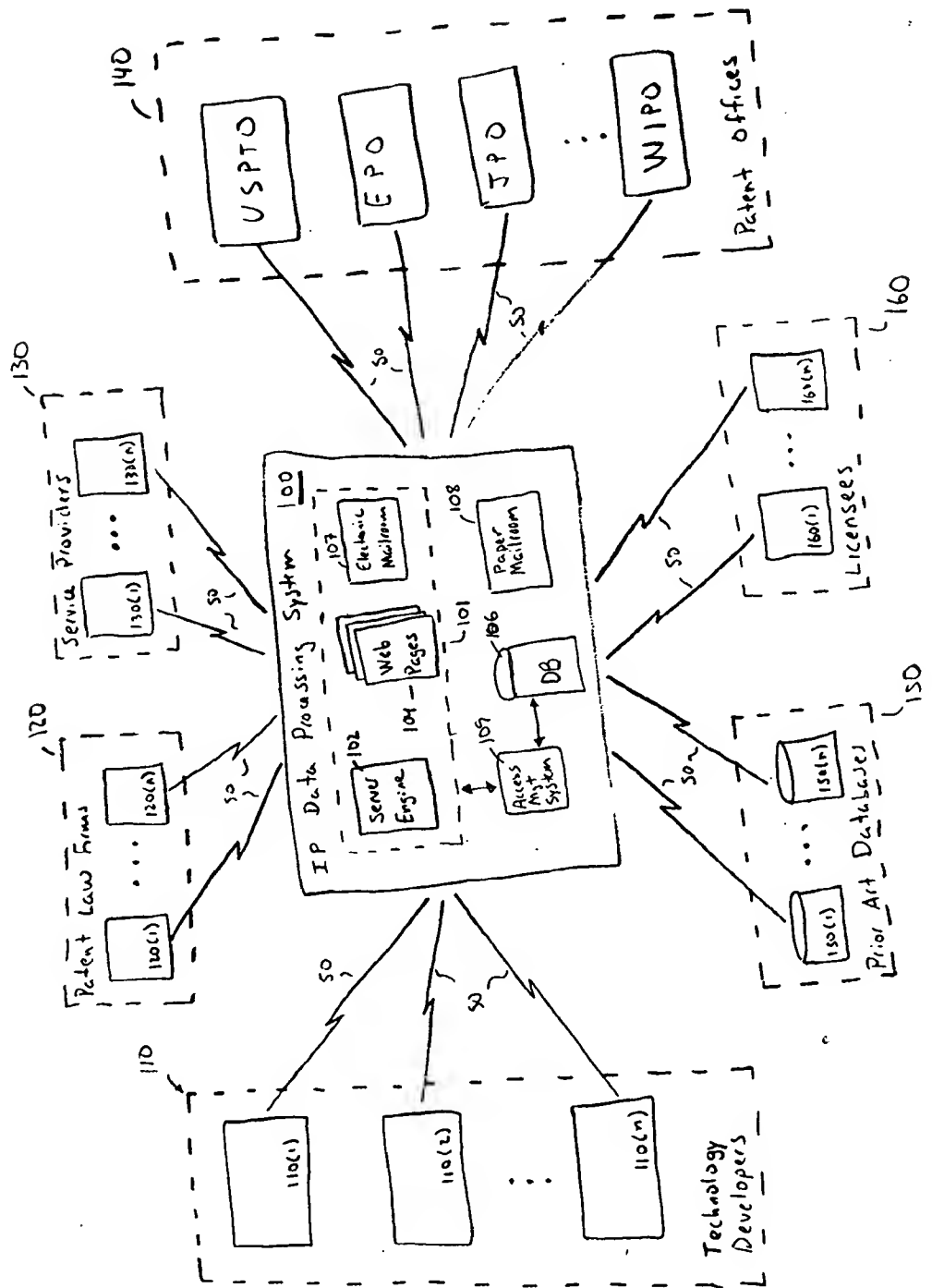


FIG. 2

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Please enter a title for your invention?

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Improved Gadget

Please enter the names of the inventors?

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Joe Smith

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Bob Brown

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Lisa Little

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FIG. 3A

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Step 1

What problem does your invention solve?

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to summarize your invention.

**Example:**  
My widget does...

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FIG. 3B



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**Step 4**

What are some other ways you could do the same thing? <sup>56</sup>

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to find out if there are other ways to do the same thing your invention does.

**Example:**  
Other ways to do the same thing are...

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FIG. 3E

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**Step 5**

When did you first think of this solution? <sup>58</sup>

Did you reduce the solution to practice? ☐ Yes ☒ No <sup>60</sup>

If so, to when?: <sup>62</sup>

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to document when you first thought of your solution.

**Example:**  
I first documented my idea on...

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FIG. 3F

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**Step 6**

Did you do a prior art search? ☐ Yes ☒ No <sup>64</sup>

If so, when did you do the search?:  <sup>66</sup>

Upload results:  <sup>68</sup>

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is disclose to the Patent Office any research related to your invention that you have done during the development of your invention.

**Example:**  
My widget does...

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FIG. 3G

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**Step 8**

Has there been public disclosure? ☐ Yes ☒ No <sup>70</sup>

If so, to whom?:  <sup>72</sup>

When?:  <sup>74</sup>

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to determine if your invention is still patentable. If you have disclosed your invention publically [e.g.- at a trade show, or in an article], it must have been done less than a year ago.

**Example:**  
My widget does...

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## Step 9

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to expedite the filing process if you are about to disclose your invention in a public forum [e.g.- you are about to show it at a trade show].

**Example:**  
My widget does...

Is public disclosure imminent? ☐ Yes ☒ No 76

If so, to whom?: 78

When?: 80

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## Step 10

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to allow you to upload any drawings or sketches you may have done to describe your invention.

**Example:**  
My widget does...

If you have any diagrams or drawings, upload them now.

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FIG. 3J

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## Step 11

If you have any other supporting documents such as test reports, or data collections, upload them now.

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to allow you to upload any supporting documents you may have other than those already listed like test data or dna blueprints.

**Example:**  
My widget does...

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## Step 12

Submit for witnessing and attorney review.

If you wish to have your disclosure witnessed, select the person you wish to have witness it below:

**Goal:**  
The goal of this step is to have one of your peers read and witness that you did do the work and that it makes sense. At the same time, you will be submitting your disclosure to your legal department to be reviewed for patentability.

**Example:**  
My widget does...

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[N] [O] [P] [Q] [R] [S] [T] [U] [V] [W] [X] [Y] [Z]

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FIG. 3L



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FIG. 4A

File No.	Case Title	Alert	Country	Date Due	Originator
960-49-3584950	Detailed Appliance...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Response Due - Office Action</u>	United States	10.12.00	Docket Center
857-28-5748392	High Voltage Servo...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Response Due - Office Action</u>	United States	10.14.00	Docket Center
947-34-8238493	Optical Modern Bank	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Response Due - Office Action</u>	United States	10.20.00	Docket Center
845-45-5748392	Quiet Drive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Response Due - Office Action</u>	United States	10.22.00	Docket Center
213-48-7548293	Underwater Breathing...	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Signature Required</u>	United States		Jim Albert
435-78-2387456	Mars Rover Contr...	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Review Disclosure</u>	United States		Steve Jordan
734-64-4586438	Smart Server	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>WARNING: Timetable slip...</u>	United States		Jon Farmer
758-45-3748239	Fiberoptic Connector	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Check Table 1 Informa...</u>	United States		Les Greene
956-45-2543467	Parallel Connection...	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Draft for your review...</u>	United States		Nancy Kao
985-34-3456345	Router Bypass Switch	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Please review new draft...</u>	United States		Darren Chin

FIG. 4B

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File No.	Case Title	Alert	Country	Date Due	Originator
960-49-3584950	Detailed Appliance...	Response Due - Office Action	United States	10.12.00	Docket Center
857-28-5748392	High Voltage Servo...	Response Due - Office Action	United States	10.14.00	Docket Center
947-34-8238493	Optical Modem Bank	Response Due - Office Action	United States	10.20.00	Docket Center
845-45-5748392	Quiet Drive	Response Due - Office Action	United States	10.22.00	Docket Center

FIG. 4C

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File No.	Case Title	Alert	Country	Date Due	Originator
734-64-4586438	Smart Server	WARNING: Timetable slip...	United States		Jon Farmer
758-45-3748239	Fiberoptic Connector	Check Table 1 informa...	United States		Les Greene
956-45-2543467	Parallel Connection...	Draft for your review...	United States		Nancy Kao
985-34-3456345	Router Bypass Switch	Please review new draf...	United States		Darren Chin

FIG. 4D

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File No.	Case Title	Alert	Country	Date Due	Originator
213-48-7548293	Underwater Breathing...	Signature Required	United States		Jim Albert
435-78-2387456	Mars Rover Contr...	Review Disclosure	United States		Steve Jordan

FIG. 4E

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Acme Enterprises:Aerospace Division:Mars rover controller (US Case #: 435-78-2387456)

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Topic	Date	Replies	Document	Date	File Name	Status
Has anyone had a...	10.08.00	0	Office Action received	10.01.00	Invention Disclosure	Complete
I just revised the...	10.08.00	12	Filing Receipt received	06.13.00	Amendment (3 month)	In Progress
The hub diagram is...	10.04.00	7	Non-Provisional Filed	06.13.00	Transmittal	Needs Review
Draft for your revl...	10.04.00	15	Filing Receipt received	08.10.99	Application	Needs Review
Deadline slippage	10.04.00	23	Provisional filed	08.10.99	Claims	Needs Review
Attorney not return...	10.02.00	2			Abstract	Needs Review
Research is finished	09.28.00	28			US Non-Provisional	Filed
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FIG. 4F

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Alerts Announcements

File No.	Case Title	Date Due	Amount Due	Country	Pay?
964-34-2843575	Cable Router Expan...	10.10.00	\$1100.00	United States	Yes No
960-49-3584950	Detailed Appliance...	10.12.00	\$1400.00	United States	Yes No
857-28-5748392	High Voltage Servo...	10.14.00	\$1200.00	United States	Yes No
947-34-8238493	Optical Modem Bank	10.20.00	\$1000.00	United States	Yes No
845-45-5748392	Quiet Drive	10.22.00	\$1350.00	United States	Yes No
734-64-4586438	Smart Server	10.25.00	\$1400.00	United States	Yes No
758-45-3748239	Fiberoptic Connector	10.26.00	\$900.00	United States	Yes No
956-45-2543467	Parallel Connection...	10.26.00	\$1100.00	United States	Yes No
985-34-3456345	Router Bypass Switch	10.28.00	\$1000.00	United States	Yes No

FIG. 4G

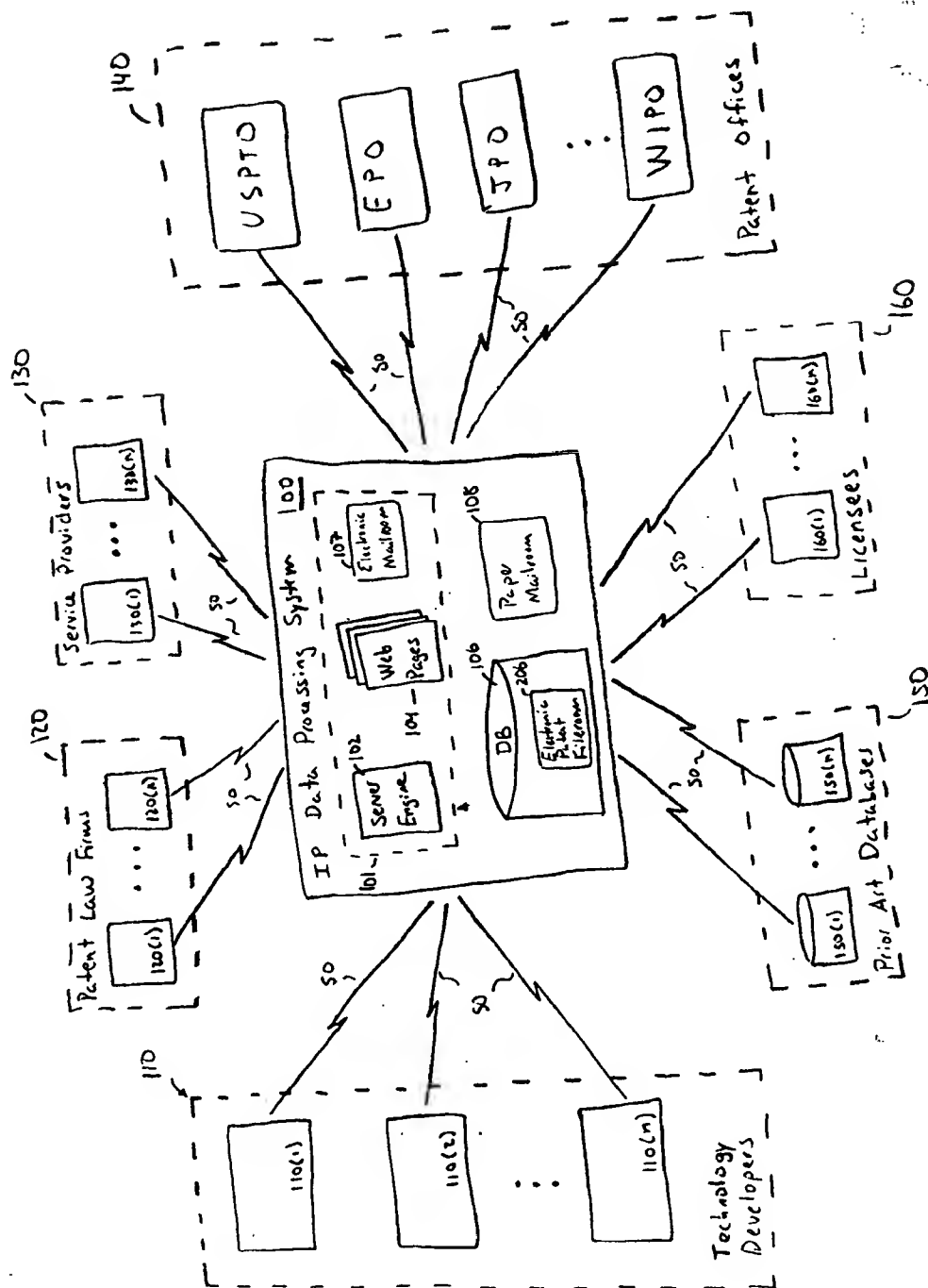


FIG. 5